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In response to the final Office action mailed December 22, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

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to Enter This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1. (Previously presented) An aqueous herbicidal composition, comprising:

a glyphosate-based component selected from the group consisting of N-(phosphonomethyl)glycine and salts thereof, present at a concentration in the range of about 0.08 to 2.0 percent by weight of a ready-to-use composition; and

a saponified or non-saponified fatty acid-based active ingredient present at a concentration in the range of about 0.5 to less than 3.0 percent by weight of a ready-to-use composition, said fatty acid-based active ingredient comprising a mixture of pelargonic acid, capric acid and lauric acid or salts thereof.

Claim 2. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 1 wherein the glyphosate-based component comprises the isopropyl amine salt of N-(phosphonomethyl)glycine.

Claim 3. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 1 wherein said fatty acid-based active ingredient comprises a mixture of salts of pelargonic acid, capric acid and lauric acid.

Claim 4. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 23 wherein said fatty acid-based active ingredient comprises a mixture of salts of pelargonic acid, capric acid, lauric acid and a salt of a fatty acid mixture selected from the group consisting of soybean fatty acid and coconut fatty acid.

Claim 5. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 23 1 wherein said fatty acid-based active ingredient comprises a mixture of salts of pelargonic acid, capric acid and lauric acid